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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UNSC, EG, XF

SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN MOVE TO REOPEN UNSC MIDDLE EAST DEBATE

REF: (A) CAIRO 6459 B) STATE 86347

1. WE ARE VERY MUCH AWARE OF DIFFICULTY INHERENT IN
DISCUSSING THIS SITUATION WITH FAHMY AND WE ARE APPRECIATIVE
OF YOUR HANDLING IN LATEST CONVERSATION. PERHAPS UNDER
OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES, FAHMY PROPOSAL MIGHT HAVE SOME
ATTRACTIVE. HOWEVER PARTICULARLY IN CONTEXT NEXT COUPLE
OF MONTHS (ISRAELI ELECTIONS, MEETINGS WITH ARAB LEADERS,
ETC.) WE CANNOT ACCEPT THIS APPROACH. OUR OBJECTIVE
REMAINS TO DELAY AS LONG AS POSSIBLE RESUMPTION OF DEBATE.
WE RECOGNIZE THE PROPOSED TALKING POINTS IN THIS TEL WILL
NOT SATISFY FAHMY, BUT WE SEE NO ALTERNATIVE TO MAIN-
TAINING OUR POSITION. IN ATTEMPT TO BE PERCEIVED AS SOME-
WHAT FORTHCOMING WE HAVE TRIED TO INJECT THOUGHT OF
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"WILLINGNESS TO TALK" ABOUT FAHMY'S SUGGESTION ALBEIT AT
SOME UNSPECIFIED FUTURE DATE.

2. BY NOW YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED MESSAGE REFERRED TO IN
REFTEL B WHICH COULD INDICATE FAHMY WILLING TO STAND DOWN,
FOR A TIME AT LEAST.

3. YOU SHOULD DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING POINTS IN REPLYING TO FAHMY:

-- WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE FAHMY'S OFFER TO DISCUSS WITH US COMPROMISE LANGUAGE FOR A SECURITY COUNCIL CONSENSUS STATEMENT.

-- WE BELIEVE IT BEST TO PUT OFF ANY DETAILED DISCUSSIONS UNTIL WE HAVE COMPLETED OUR PRESENT ROUND OF MEETINGS WITH ARAB LEADERS.

--WE HOPE HE WILL AGREE TO LET SUBJECT LIE DORMANT IN MEANTIME.

4. FYI - WE HAVE NO INDICATION OF MUCH ACTUAL INTEREST ON THE PART OF OTHER MODERATE ARAB DELEGATIONS IN NEW YORK IN RESUMING THIS DEBATE. LIBYANS, OF COURSE, WANT A DEBATE BUT WE DOUBT FAHMY IS VERY CONCEFNED ABOUT LIBYAN DRUTHERS. IN ANY EVENT, WE ASSUME THAT EGYPT'S ATTITUDE WILL BE CRITICAL. END FYI

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